

MINUTES
SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT & TAXATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 04, 2021

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

PLACE: Room WW53

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Rice, Vice Chairman Grow, Senators Vick, Lakey, Souza, Bayer, Ricks, Nye, and Rabe

ABSENT/ EXCUSED: None

NOTE: The sign-in sheet, testimonies and other related materials will be retained with the minutes in the committee's office until the end of the session and will then be located on file with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

CONVENED: **Chairman Rice** called the meeting of the Local Government and Taxation Committee (Committee) to order at 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Senator Rabe** moved to approve the Minutes of February 2, 2021. **Senator Lakey** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

RS 28224 **Relating to Public Libraries; to Provide That Certain Persons Shall Not Be an Appointed Trustee of a Library Board.** **Senator Zito** presented **RS 28224**, explaining that the legislation states that a mayor or appointed officer of the city shall not be one of the appointed trustees of the library board.

DISCUSSION: **Senator Souza** questioned if the legislation had been prompted by any specific problem. **Senator Zito** responded that there was no issue she was aware of, just a general concern by the Idaho Library Association.

MOTION: **Senator Bayer** moved to send **RS 28224** to print. **Senator Vick** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

RS 28225 **Relating to State Government; to Revise a Certain Limitation on State Employees.** **Senator Zito** presented **RS 28225**, legislation that changes the limitations on political activities. The legislation specifies that no classified employee of a state department shall be a candidate and hold elective office in any state or federal partisan election.

DISCUSSION: **Senator Rabe** inquired if the legislation had been designed in regard to any specific issue. **Senator Zito** gave an example of a state trooper who desired to run for sheriff. Current statute would require him to quit his job before he could do so, and this legislation would change that.

MOTION: **Senator Vick** moved to send **RS 28225** to print. **Senator Bayer** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business at this time, **Chairman Rice** adjourned the meeting at 3:08 p.m.

Senator Rice
Chair

Machele Hamilton
Secretary